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Application No.: 10/669533

Case No.: 61605US003

Amendments to the Specification:

In the Official Action, the Examiner objected to the specification as follows:

1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following: The use of the trademark "TEFLON" has been noted in this application. When a trademark/name appears in the specification, it should appear with each letter capitalized and be followed (i.e. at least once in its entirety) by the recognized components of the product/material from that trade source at the time that it is being referenced. Although the use of trademarks is permissible in patent applications, the proprietary nature of the marks should be respected and every effort made to prevent their use in any manner which might adversely affect their validity as trademarks. Please amend the specification as follows:

In response thereto, Applicants amend the specification as follows:

On page 9, please delete the paragraph that starts on line 23 with the word The and ends on line 27 with the word like:

The filtration media is typically fabricated from a microporous filtration membrane having a pore size of about 0.1 microns to about 10 microns. The pore size is typically characterized by a bubble point method, as is known in the art. The filtration medium can be fabricated from conventional filtration materials, such as expanded PTFE (Teflon®), nylon, polyether sulfone, polyvinylidene difluoride and the like.